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## Remarks

Claims 58-80 have been added by the present Second Preliminary Amendment. The new claims are fully supported by the specification as originally filed, and do not add new matter. Specific support for the size limits of the ligands, as recited in the claims, is at least at page 16, lines 24-31. Claims 62 to 66 are specifically supported at least in the passage bridging pages 8 and 9.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Although no fees are believed to be due at this time, please charge any fees, including any fees for extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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